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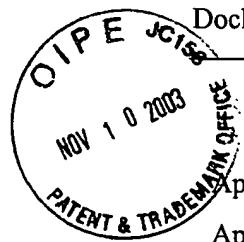
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing one (1) reference that is also enclosed. This reference relates in part to the *E. coli* gene *rfaE* (which corresponds to the gene encoding the WaaE polypeptide). Applicants note that the Valvano reference submitted in the IDS mailed July 23, 2001 also relates to the *rfaE* gene.

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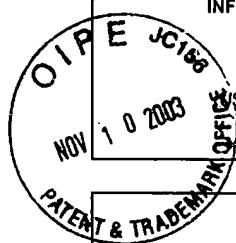
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1	Gerdes, et al. 2003. Experimental determination and system level analysis of essential genes in <i>Escherichia coli</i> MG1655. <i>Journal of Bacteriology</i> , 185(19):5673-5684. [with supplemental data]	

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